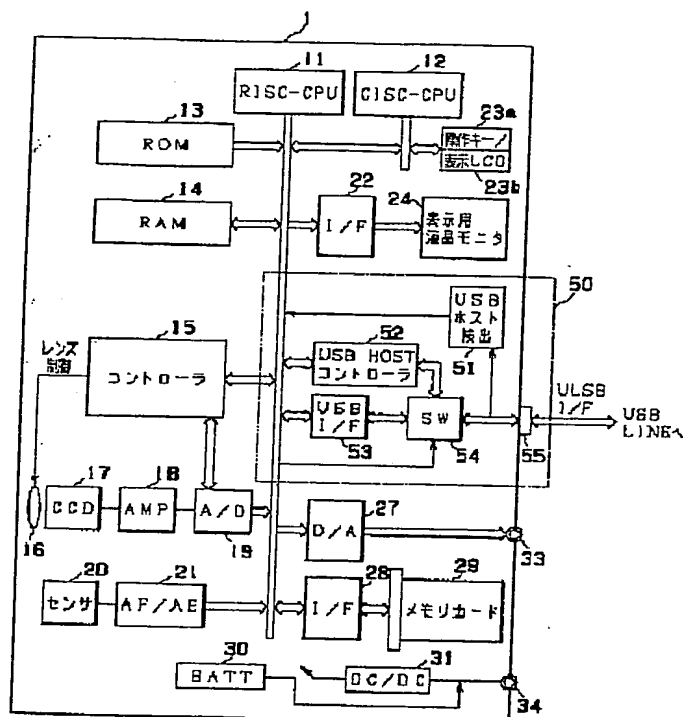


## Patent Abstracts of Japan

TITLE : ELECTRONIC IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE



**SOLUTION:** A USB host detecting circuit 51 detects whether or not another host computer is connected to a universal serial bus and, when no other host computer is connected, sets a host mode in which a USB host controller 52 is operated for using an electronic camera 1 as a host. When another host computer is detected, the circuit 51 sets a terminal mode in which the controller 52 is operated under the control of the host computer.

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